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System Part/Role	Responsibilities	Restrictions	Can share information with:
 Judge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Makes AOT rulings Can hold parties accountable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cannot order a higher level of care than necessary. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Petitions and orders are public once the order is granted
 Defense Attorney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Represent the client's wishes Ensure client's rights are respected Ensure due process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cannot go against client's wishes even if it is in their best interest. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Individual
 Prosecutor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Represent the CMH Prove individual meets criteria Share relevant information 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only knows what information CMH has shared 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CMH Court
 ER Physician*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assess for AOT Complete clinical certificate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Typically, cannot administer court-ordered injections. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CMH Individual <p>*Bound by HIPPA</p>
 Social Worker*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Often fills out the petitions and files with the court 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May not know someone is on an AOT when they present in the ER 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CMH Individual Court <p>*Bound by HIPPA</p>
 Inpatient Unit*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stabilize individual Coordinate discharge with outpatient provider Testify if they filled out a cert. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited beds Unit capacity for high acuity cases. Staffing restrictions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CMH Individual Court <p>*Bound by HIPPA</p>

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 <p>CMH Psychiatrist*</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assess individual Supervise treatment and meds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cannot authorize higher level of care than medically necessary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Treatment team Court Inpatient unit Prosecutor <p>*Bound by HIPPA</p>
 <p>CMH Case Manager*</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oversee services Track progress Support individual Link to services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not authorize services, only make referrals. Staff turnover 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Court Inpatient unit Individual Prosecutor <p>*Bound by HIPPA</p>
 <p>Private Provider*</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide services Report progress or issues to CMH/Court 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May be less familiar with the AOT process and their responsibilities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CMH Court <p>*Bound by HIPPA</p>
 <p>Law Enforcement Officer</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Execute orders for transport within 10 days Take people into protective custody 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cannot breach the threshold of a residence for pickups 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can tell ER which CMH/case manager to contact
 <p>Individual</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participate in treatment planning Participate in treatment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Insurance will dictate what services and medications are available to them 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dictates who others can share information with via releases.
 <p>Natural Support</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Notify the treatment team of any issues Notify court of any issues 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can only be included in treatment if individual signs release 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Court CMH/Provider Inpatient Unit ER Law Enforcement
 <p>Guardian</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support individual with their treatment and the process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cannot force the individual to do anything 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CMH Inpatient Unit Hospital ER Private Provider